



**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
FIRE DEPARTMENT  
FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION**

## **HAZARDOUS MATERIALS PERMIT REQUIREMENTS**

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Article 1, section 105 of the Los Angeles County Fire Code states... a permit shall be obtained from the Fire Prevention Division prior to engaging in the following: ... to transport, store on-site, dispense, use or handle hazardous materials in excess of the amounts listed in Table 105-C or to install, repair, abandon, remove, place temporarily out of service, close, or substantially modify a storage facility or other area regulated by Article 80 when the hazardous materials in use or storage exceed the amounts listed in Table 105-C. Additional requirements may be applicable.

Hazardous Materials Management Plan When required by the authority having jurisdiction, each application for a permit shall include a hazardous materials management plan (HMMP). The location of the HMMP shall be posted adjacent to permits when an HMMP is provided. The HMMP shall include a facility site plan designating the following:

1. Storage and use areas,
2. Maximum amount of each material stored or used in each area,
3. Range of container sizes,
4. Location of emergency isolation and mitigation valves and devices,
5. Product conveying piping containing liquids or gases, other than utility-owned fuel gas lines and low-pressure fuel gas lines,
6. On and off positions of valves for valves which are of the self-indicating type, and
7. Storage plan showing the intended storage arrangement, including the location and dimensions of aisles.

The plans shall be legible and approximately to scale. Separate distribution systems are allowed to be shown on separate pages.

Application Article 80 shall apply to all hazardous materials, including those materials regulated elsewhere in this code, except that when specific requirements are provided in other articles, those specific requirements shall apply. See Section 101.6.

Reporting Every business shall comply with the reporting requirements as set forth in Chapter 2.20 of Part 2 of this code.

Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement [For SFM] The HMIS shall comply with Health and Safety Code, Chapter 6.95, Sections 25500 through 25545, and Title 19, Division 2, Chapter 3. Each applicant for a permit required by this article shall include a hazardous materials inventory statement (HMIS) in accordance with Part 2 of Chapter 2.20 of Title 2 of this code.

Risk Management and Prevention Program Every business shall comply with the requirements as set forth in Chapter 2.20 of Part 2 of Title 2 of this code.

Emergency Information Hazardous materials business plans, risk management prevention programs and hazardous materials inventory statements shall be posted in an approved location and made immediately available to emergency responders. The chief may require that the information be posted at the entrance to the occupancy or property.

Records Accurate records shall be kept of the unauthorized discharge of hazardous materials by the permittee.

Notification The chief shall be notified immediately when an unauthorized discharge becomes reportable under state, federal or local regulations.

Preparation Provisions shall be made for controlling and mitigating unauthorized discharges.

Responsibility for Cleanup The person, firm or corporation responsible for the unauthorized discharge shall institute and complete all actions necessary to remedy the effects of such unauthorized discharge, whether sudden or gradual, at no cost to the jurisdiction. When deemed necessary by the chief, cleanup may be initiated by the fire department or by an authorized individual or firm. Costs associated with such cleanup shall be borne by the owner, operator or other person responsible for the unauthorized discharge.

Identification Signs Visible hazard identification signs as specified in UFC Standard 79-3 shall be placed on stationary aboveground tanks and at entrances to locations where hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, used or handled in quantities requiring a permit. Signs shall be provided at specific entrances designated by the chief. Exception: The chief may waive this requirement in special cases when consistent with safety if the owner or operator has submitted a hazardous materials management plan and hazardous materials inventory statement. See Appendix II-E and Sections 8001.3.2 and 8001.3.3. Individual containers, cartons or packages shall be conspicuously marked or labeled in accordance with national recognized standards.

1. Rooms or cabinets containing compressed gases shall be conspicuously labeled COMPRESSED GAS.
2. Signs shall not be obscured or removed
3. Signs shall be in English as a primary language or in symbols allowed by this code.
4. Signs shall be durable.
5. The size, color and lettering shall be in accordance with nationally recognized standards.

Storage Storage of hazardous materials where the aggregate quantity is in excess of the exempt amounts set forth in Section 8001.13 shall be in accordance with Sections 8001 and 8003. Storage of hazardous materials where the aggregate quantity does not exceed the exempt amounts set forth in Section 8001.13 shall be in accordance with Section 8001. For display and storage in retail and wholesale sale occupancies, see Section 8001.12. Hazardous materials regulated by other articles are not required to be in accordance with Section 8003 unless specifically indicated in Section 8003.

Use, Dispensing and Handling Use, dispensing and handling of hazardous materials where the aggregate quantity is in excess of the exempt amounts set forth in Section 8001.13 shall be in accordance with Sections 8001 and 8004.

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